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Programming Content and Portions Thereof

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Dear Sir:

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Upon review of the referenced patent application, Applicants' present counsel noticed that filing date of the application has been changed from December 29, 2000 to March 12, 2001 in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. A copy of the Revocation and Power of Attorney and Change of Correspondence Address is enclosed for reference.

The present application was filed with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on December 29, 2000. A copy of the Filing Receipt issued by the Patent Office indicating the correct filing date of December 29, 2000 is enclosed.

Withers & Rogers, the European law firm handling the corresponding European patent application on behalf of the assignee, BellSouth Intellectual Property Management Corporation, advised Mr. Delgado, Intellectual Property Counsel at BellSouth, on 2 April 2003 that the European Patent Office reminded them that the priority document for US 09/751,809 had not been filed. After Merchant & Gould P.C. took over prosecution of the application, Withers & Rogers wrote to Merchant & Gould on 6 May 2003, again pointing this out. A Certified Copy was then ordered and upon review it was determined that the filing date was listed incorrectly as March 12, 2001. A paralegal in our Foreign Filing Department telephoned

the Certification Branch to inquire as to the difference in the filing date. The Certification Branch indicated that the filing date was erroneously changed upon receipt of a Response to Missing Parts/Preliminary Amendment (May 12, 2001) and that the date should not have been changed.

Applicant's respectfully request that the filing date be corrected to reflect the original filing date of December 29, 2000.

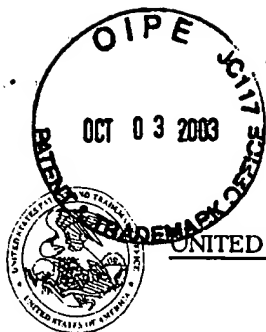
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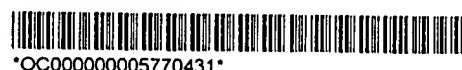
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